(c) As per NASSCOM study (McKinsey Report) 23.67 lakhs of jobs are estimated to be created by the end of Tenth Five Year Plan period.

Telephone facility in village Pachayats of Rajasthan

2230. DR. ABRAR AHMED: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of village Panchayats in Sawai Madhopur and Karoli, Rajasthan which are still without telephone facility; and

(b) by when, telephone facility is likely to be provided to all the village Panchayats?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN): (a) 13 Village Panchayats in Sawai Madhopur and 42 Village Panchayats in Karoli districts are still without telephone facility in Rajasthan.

(b) M/s Shyam Telelink Ltd. the private basic telephone service provider in Rajasthan has planned to cover these by December, 2003.

Waiting list for Telephone connections in ASSAM

2231. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons on waiting list for telephone connections in Assam as on the 31st March, 2002, district-wise; and

(b) the steps taken by Government to clear the above waiting list?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN): (a) The number of persons on waiting list for the telephone connections as on 31st March, 2002 were 10101. Revenue district-wise break up is furnished in the enclosed Statement *(See* below*)*.

(b) During 2002-03, Assam Telecom Circle has target to provide 80,000 DELs and to add 84,200 lines of switching capacity. 40 number of new exchanges are also planned to be opened subject to availability of resources.

Statement

Revenue district-wise waiting list as on 31.03.2002 in Assam Telecom Circle

Sl. No.	Revenue District	Waiting list as on 31.03.2002
1	Kamrup	0
2	Dibrugarh	169
3	Tinsukia	348
4	Cachar	307
5	Karimganj	228
6	Hailkandi	24
7	N.C. Hills	38
8	Jorhat	815
9	Sibsagar	1380
10	Golaghat	587
11	Bongaigaon	195
12	Goalpara	183
13	Dhubri	461
14	Kokrajhar	105
15	Barpeta	759
16	Nalbari	765
17	Darang	262
18	Sonitpur	416
19	North Lakhimpur	472
20	Dhemaji	238
21	Nagaon	1663
22	Morigaon	264
23	Karbi Anglong	422
	TOTAL:	10101